

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
NASHVILLE DIVISION**

BARBARA BOYTE,)
)
Plaintiff,)
) **CASE NO.: 3:16-cv-02799**
v.)
) **JUDGE TRAUGER**
)
ROBERT A. McDONALD,)
Secretary, Department of)
Veterans Affairs,)
)
Defendant.)

**JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE INITIAL CASE
MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE AND FOR AN EXTENSION OF
TIME TO FILE AN ANSWER OR OTHER RESPONSIVE PLEADING**

COMES NOW the parties, by and through their undersigned counsel, and respectfully moves this Honorable Court to reschedule the Initial Case Management Conference in this action, now set for Thursday, January 5, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. to a date after the due date of the answer or other responsive pleading. Currently, Defendant's answer or other responsive pleading is due on or before January 20, 2017. Defendant is making diligent efforts to obtain necessary documentation in order to determine whether to file an answer or other responsive pleading. However, because the necessary documentation remains outstanding, the parties are in agreement that Defendant's answer or other responsive pleading should be extended until February 28, 2017.

THEREFORE, based on the above, it is requested that the Court reschedule the Initial Case Management Conference to a date after February 28, 2017, and further allow Defendant until February 28, 2017, to file its answer or other responsive pleading.

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Respectfully submitted,

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